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Legendary Actors **Ed Asner** and **Marion Ross** Appear in Two-Night Only Performance

They Join Award-Winning Cast for Live Staged Reading of New Sitcom at the Museum of Broadcast Communications

Chicago, IL (March 18, 2013) – Multiple Emmy® and Golden Globe winner **Ed Asner** and Emmy and Golden Globe Nominee **Marion Ross** (*Happy Days, Brothers & Sisters, Gilmore Girls*), join an award-winning cast for a limited-time performance of a new sitcom, *I've Got a Life in Kalamazoo*, produced by the Emmy award-winning team of Teresa L. Thome and Patrick W. Ziegler of **fubble entertainment, LLC**. The performances take place at the Museum of Broadcast Communications (MBC) April 13 and 14, and will be filmed in front of a live audience, which will be used to pitch the show to network executives. Audience members will be given the opportunity to provide feedback.

This entertaining, one-of-a-kind event, in partnership with Chicago's MBC, also features an award-winning cast led by triple-threat performer **Vicki Lewis** (*News Radio, Broadway/Chicago, Finding Nemo*), Tony Award® winner **Gregory Jbara** (*Billy Elliot, Blue Bloods*) and two-time Emmy winner **Patrick W. Ziegler**. **Danny Salles** (*Joan & Melissa: Joan Knows Best?, Kathy Griffin's My Life on the D-List*) will direct. Two-time Emmy winner Teresa L. Thome will narrate.

Described as *Everybody Loves Raymond* meets *Will & Grace*, *I've Got A Life in Kalamazoo* is based on Thome's one-woman show, *Warm Cheese*. It features Nilah Hoyer (Lewis), a small town singer/performer who, in the midst of a mid-life crisis, attempts to move her career to the next level. With her best friend, Clayton Croft, living the fabulous life in Chicago urging her to move to the Windy City, and a husband who merrily rolls along with all the punches, this is finally her moment. With one phone call, a turn of events occurs and Nilah must stay in Kalamazoo – reluctantly – to care for her aging parents, Bob, her lovable, humorous and politically incorrect father, and Imelda, her domineering, hypochondriac mother.

"The MBC is a place where we honor television's past, but we are also excited about our role as a creative launching pad for new talent and projects," said MBC Founder/President Bruce DuMont.

Thome and Ziegler are thrilled with the opportunity to showcase the work at the MBC in front of a live audience. "Rarely do audiences get a chance to be a part of the sitcom development process this early on," Thome offers, "and with such a dynamic cast, no less!"

The readings will take place at the MBC at 360 N. State Street in Chicago on Saturday, April 13 at 7:30 p.m. (CST) and Sunday, April 14 at 2:00 p.m. (CST). Tickets, on sale now at www.LifeInKzoo.com, range in price from \$22 to \$155, including VIP options to meet and dine with the cast. Proceeds will benefit the MBC. Additional partners include Me-TV, WCIU, The U and Sol Design, with support from Bryan Cave, LLP.

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fubble entertainment (www.fubbleentertainment.com) is the creator of the Emmy award winning web series, Backstage Drama (www.backstagedrama.com). They also won two Emmys as executive producers for the children's television show, *Come On Over!*, which won a total of 13 Emmys. The fubble entertainment team has served as creative producers for the national festival of laughter, Gilda's LaughFest, producing shows with Betty White, Martin Short, Kevin Nealon, Wayne Brady, Jonathan Mangum and Alan Zweibel. They also served as judges for the National Daytime Emmy Awards in 2012.



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